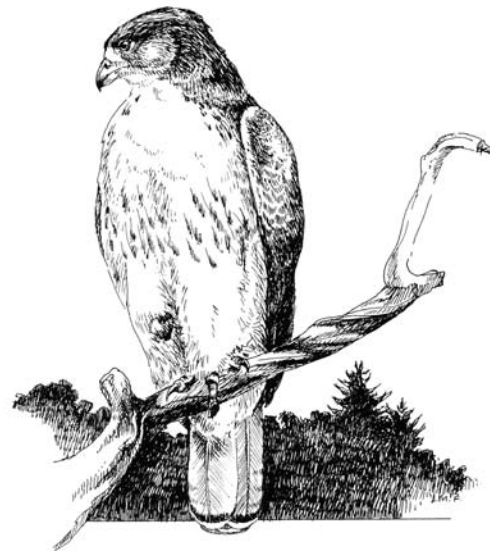




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# Bellevue Park Environmental Education & Natural History Programs

2007-2008 School Year



This year, Bellevue Parks & Community Services will offer a variety of park environmental education field trips for students in Bellevue. Programs focus on increasing awareness, appreciation, and stewardship of our communities natural, cultural, and historic sites.

Bellevue's extensive park and open space system, historic buildings, community farms and forests, wetlands, and interpretive trails provide the ideal setting for the delivery of our programs, and for students to learn by experiencing! Our programs also offer plenty of opportunities to be active. These programs, like many in our Parks system, promote a "Fit & Active Bellevue" and help build a healthy community.

<b>Grades:</b>	2nd - 5th (other grade levels by special request)
<b>Park Field Trip:</b>	1½ hours and includes walking
<b>Classroom Program:</b>	1 hour
<b>Cost:</b>	Free — donations accepted!
<b>Pre-Registration:</b>	425-452-7106 or DPettersson@bellevuewa.gov
<b>Locations:</b>	Programs available at the following park sites, in your classroom, or on your school grounds.



## **Mercer Slough Heritage Trail & Winters House – 1 mile walk**

Situated on the west side of Bellevue's largest wetland park, the Historic Winters House delights visitors of all ages. This elegant Spanish eclectic home houses Eastside Heritage Center exhibits and highlights Bellevue's history. The parks' 1-mile Interpretive Heritage Trail winds through wetlands and blueberry farms, and leads to the Mercer Slough Channel. The house is open 10 am-4 pm M-F and 10 am-2 pm on Saturdays. For additional Winters House information call 425-452-2752. Restrooms and parking available. Parking located at the Winters House Visitor Center, 2102 Bellevue Way SE.



## **Kelsey Creek Farm – 1 mile walk**

Located in the heart of Bellevue, this site provides visitors the opportunity to experience a preserved 1940s working farm surrounded by pristine forests, salmon streams, and wetland habitats. A network of trails gives easy access to natural areas, historic buildings, and farm animal viewing. Restrooms available. Parking may be limited. Parking located at Kelsey Creek Farm, 410-130th Pl SE. Contact the farm directly for other program opportunities at 425-452-7866.



## **Lake Hills Greenbelt Community Garden & Trail – 1 mile walk**

The greenbelt features the King County Master Gardener Demonstration site, and 3 miles of flat trails that wind through a variety of habitat and fertile farm land. Interpretive signs and gardens highlight local flora and fauna, the areas rich agricultural history, and Native American uses. Covered picnic area, restrooms, and ample parking is available. For additional Ranger Station information call 425-452-7225. Parking located at the Master Gardener Demonstration Site, 156th Ave SE and SE 16th St.



## **Larsen Lake Cabin & Lake Loop Trail – 1 mile walk**

Step back in time as you visit one of Bellevue's oldest structures, the Larsen Lake Cabin, built in the 1880s. Inside the cabin, students will learn about the area's first farmers, how log cabins were constructed, and what a day in life was like in Bellevue 100 years ago. The scenic 1-mile Larsen Lake Loop Trail further illustrates the areas agricultural and wildlife habitat qualities, and provides an opportunity to see wetland and aquatic life. Parking located at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Historic Blueberry Farm, 700-148th Ave SE.



## **Lewis Creek Park & Visitor Center – 1 mile walk**

This 50-acre site, located in south Bellevue, provide opportunities for students to study and experience several new environments including wetlands, meadows, and forests. Evidence of past residents and farming provide students with an opportunity to learn how people interacted with the land and stewardship. Parking available at the Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd.

Programs may also be available at park sites closer to your school including: Ardmore Park, Weowna Park, Robinswood Park, and Lakemont Park.

**All outdoor programs are weather dependent and may be rescheduled as needed.  
For additional information or to register for a program call Debbie Pettersson, 425-452-7106.**

This information will be provided in alternate formats for individuals with disabilities upon request. We invite everyone's participation. Please provide two weeks advance notice for special needs requests. Assistance for the hearing impaired can be provided through the 711 Telecommunications Relay Service.

**Programs may be offered in cooperation with the following educational partners:**



**King County  
Master Gardeners**

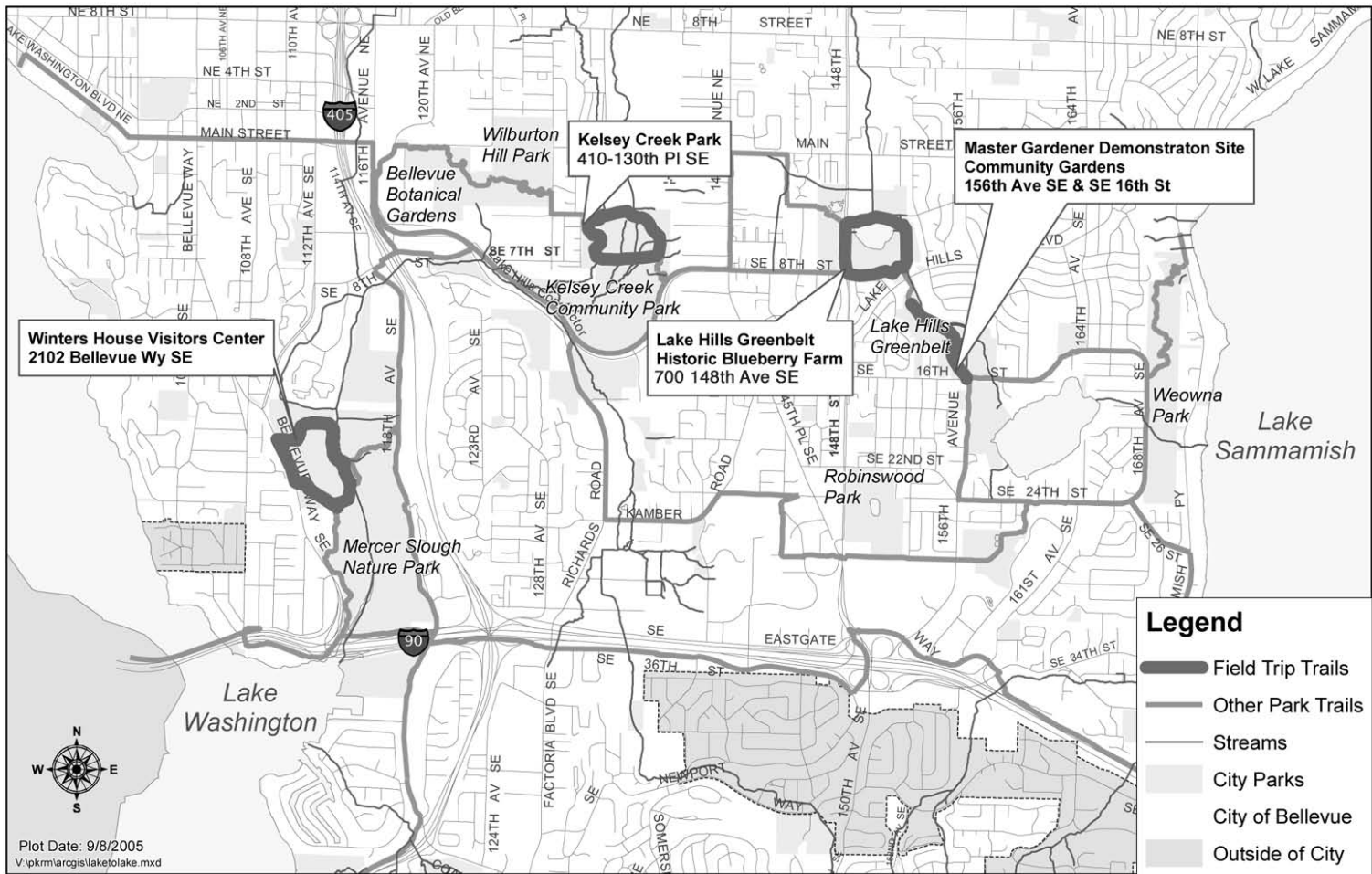
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## Connecting People, Parks & Nature



## Program Request Information

Please fax, mail, or email the following information:

### School & Teacher Information:

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Room No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Teacher(s): \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Students: \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

What topics would you like covered during your field trip? \_\_\_\_\_

### Program Request:

Preferred date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Please specify any special needs: \_\_\_\_\_

### Program Location:

- ☐ Mercer Slough Heritage Trail & Winters House
- ☐ Kelsey Creek Farm & Forest
- ☐ Lake Hills Greenbelt Community Garden & Trail
- ☐ Larsen Lake Cabin & Lake Loop Trail
- ☐ Lewis Creek Park & Visitor Center
- ☐ My Classroom or School Grounds
- ☐ Other Site \_\_\_\_\_

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